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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A method in a computing environment for configuring images for display, the method comprising:

receiving a selection of a first component image, said first component image depicting a first component;

based on said selection of said first component image, receiving a selection of a second component image, said second component image depicting a second component;

positioning, on a coordinate system, said first image and said second image; and

creating a configured image, said configured image including said first component and said second component.

2. (Original) The method as recited in claim 1, wherein said coordinate system is based upon an (X,Y) axis.

3. (Original) The method as recited in claim 1, wherein said second image is overlaid on said first image.

4. (Original) The method as recited in claim 1, wherein said first and second component images are photographs.

5. (Original) The method as recited in claim 1, further comprising consulting a coordinate table to determine the coordinates of said first and second images.

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6. (Original) The method as recited in claim 1, further comprising consulting an image table to determine the component images necessary to make-up said configured image.

7. (Currently Amended) A computer system having a processor, a memory and an operating environment, the computer system operable to perform the ~~steps recited in~~ method of claim 1.

8. (Currently Amended) A method in a computing environment for configuring product images for display, the method comprising:

receiving a selection of a configured product image;

consulting a first data table to determine which of a variety of component images comprise said configured product image;

selecting at least one of said variety of component images;

consulting a second data table to determine the coordinates on an (X,Y) axis of each selected component image that comprises the configured product image; and

displaying the configured product image by placing each selected component image at its corresponding coordinates on said (X,Y) axis.

9. (Original) The method as recited in claim 8, wherein said component images are photographs.

10. (Currently Amended) A computer readable medium having computer executable instructions for performing the ~~steps recited in~~ method of claim 8.

11. (Currently Amended) A computer system having a processor, a memory and an operating environment, the computer system operable to perform the ~~steps recited in~~ method of claim 8.

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12. (Currently Amended) A computer system for displaying a configured graphical image, the computer system comprising:

a configuration component which determines which of a plurality of component images comprise the configured image and selects at least one of said plurality of component images;

a coordinate component which determines the positioning of said selected component images on a coordinate system, said positioning being defined by (X,Y) coordinates; and

a displaying component which positions said selected component images on an (X,Y) axis based upon the determined (X,Y) coordinates and displays the resulting configured graphical image.

13. (Original) The computer system as recited in claim 12, wherein said various component images are photographs.

14. (Currently Amended) A method in a computing environment for displaying a product configuration including multiple parts, the method comprising:

determining the coordinates on an (X,Y) axis for one or more component images that comprise the product configuration;

selecting at least one of said one or more component images; and

displaying the product configuration by positioning the selected component images at their determined coordinates.

15. (Original) The method as recited in claim 14, wherein the component images are photographs.

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16. (Currently Amended) A computer readable medium having computer executable instructions for performing the ~~steps recited in~~ method of claim 14.

17. (Currently Amended) A computer system having a processor, a memory and an operating environment, the computer system operable to perform the ~~steps recited in~~ method of claim 14.

18. (Currently Amended) A computer readable medium containing a data structure for storing location information on one or more component images of a configured product, wherein said data structure comprises:

an implementor table, said table containing entries indicative of the component images that make up the configured product, wherein one or more of said component entries are selected to make up said configured product; and

a coordinate table, said coordinate table containing entries indicative of the (X,Y) coordinates for said selected component images, the coordinates specifying the positioning of the selected component images necessary to correctly make up the configured product.

19. (Currently Amended) A computer readable medium containing a method for depicting a selected configuration of a product, wherein the method comprises:

receiving a selection of a first component image, said first component image depicting a first component;

based on said selection of said first component image, receiving a selection of a second component image, said second component image depicting a second component;

positioning, on a coordinate system, said first image and said second image; and

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creating a configured image, said configured image including said first component and said second component.

20. (Original) The computer readable medium as recited in claim 19, wherein said coordinate system is based upon an (X,Y) axis.

21. (Original) The computer readable medium as recited in claim 19, wherein said second image is overlaid on said first image.

22. (Original) The computer readable medium as recited in claim 19, wherein said first and second component images are photographs.

23. (Original) The computer readable medium as recited in claim 19, wherein said method further comprises consulting a coordinate table to determine the coordinates of said first and second images.

24. (Original) The computer readable medium as recited in claim 19, wherein said method further comprises consulting an image table to determine the component images necessary to make-up said configured image.